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SENATE HOUSE

House Bills

HB 1000 by Representatives Murray, Alexander, Ogden and Schoesler; by request of Public

Works Board

Managing capital facility projects by the public works board.

Revises provisions relating to the budget authority of the public works board, expenditures from the public works assistance account, and clarifies capital facility planning requirements.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 19 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1001 by Representatives Alexander and Murray; by request of Public Works

Board

Authorizing projects recommended by the public works board.

Provides authorization for projects recommended by the public works board.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 19 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1002 by Representatives Ruderman, Rockefeller and Santos

Limiting the public inspection and copying of residential addresses or residential phone numbers of public employees or volunteers of public agencies.

Restricts the public inspection and copying of residential addresses or residential phone numbers of public employees or volunteers of public agencies.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 20 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1003 by Representatives Campbell and Bush

Modifying solid waste disposal standards.

Declares that the provisions of RCW 70.95.060 apply to any expansion or modification of an existing landfill, when that modification or expansion begins on or after July 1, 2001, and results in a total landfill design capacity meeting or exceeding the criteria in this provision.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1004 by Representatives Morris and Doumit

Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2001, and each July 1st thereafter, the compensation amount specified in RCW 41.24.150 shall be readjusted to reflect the percentage change in the consumer price index, calculated as follows: The index for the calendar year preceding the year in which the July calculation is made, to be known as "calendar year A," is divided by the index for the calendar year preceding calendar year A, and the resulting ratio is multiplied by the compensation amount in effect on June 30th immediately preceding the July 1st on which the respective calculation is made. For the purposes of this provision, "index" means the same as the definition in RCW 2.12.037(1).

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1005 by Representative Morris

Allowing the granting of easements on state-owned aquatic lands for local public utility lines.

Finds that local utility lines must cross state-owned aquatic lands in order to reach all state residents and that, for the benefit of such residents, the state should permit such crossings, consistent with all applicable state environmental laws, in a nondiscriminatory, economic, and timely manner.

Requires that the use of state-owned aquatic lands for local public utility lines owned by a nongovernmental entity shall be granted by easement if the use is consistent with the purpose of RCW 79.90.450 through 79.90.460 and does not obstruct navigation or other public uses.

Declares that the total charge for the term of the easement shall be the larger of (1) an amount equal to the diminution in the property value caused by locating the utility lines on the aquatic land, based on the appraised value of the land in its current use at the time of application for the easement, or (2) five thousand dollars.

Creates the utilities and aquatic lands task force.

Directs the utilities and aquatic lands task force to study charges made for the lease or easement of aquatic lands for local public utility lines, and, by July 1, 2002, recommend to the legislature any changes from current practice found appropriate.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1006 by Representative Morris

Allowing various entities to put public utility lines on state-owned aquatic lands.

Includes a cooperative formed under chapter 23.86 RCW, a mutual corporation or association formed under chapter 24.06 RCW, or a public service company subject to regulation by the Washington utilities and transportation commission.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

Adjusting disability payments.

HB 1007 by Representative Morris

Modifying the taxation of electricity providers.

Revises provisions relating to the taxation of electricity providers.

Repeals RCW 82.16.0491, 82.16.053, 54.28.010, 54.28.011, 54.28.020, 54.28.025, 54.28.030, 54.28.040, 54.28.050, 54.28.055, 54.28.060, 54.28.070, 54.28.080, 54.28.090, 54.28.100, 54.28.110, and 54.28.120.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

HB 1008 by Representative Morris

Reviewing initiative measures for fiscal impact.

Provides that, upon receipt of any petition proposing an initiative to the people or an initiative to the legislature, and prior to giving a serial number thereto, the secretary of state shall submit a copy thereof to the office of the code reviser and the office of financial management and give notice to the petitioner of such transmittal.

Requires that, upon receipt of the measure, the director of financial management shall determine if the measure affects a tax or fee as set forth under this act.

Provides that if it does, then an analysis of the fiscal impact and a certificate of review shall be sent to the petitioner within seven working days from receipt of the measure. A copy of the fiscal analysis shall be sent to the secretary of state.

Declares that "affects a tax or fee" means the measure amends, repeals, or restricts the collection of any existing tax or any of the fees used to fund general government purposes, increases or reduces the percentage rate or amount of such a tax or fee, or creates, extends, or eliminates an exemption to such a tax or fee.

Provides that the voter's pamphlet must contain an analysis of the fiscal impact prepared by the director of financial management, if required under RCW 29.79.015.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 2 Prefiled for introduction.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4000 by Representative Mastin

Requesting minimum standards for federal elections.

Requests that the United States Congress, without restricting the method or manner that the several states may hold elections, set minimum federal standards concerning the process and procedures that the several states may use in holding federal elections within their borders.

Requests that the federal government provide such funding to the states as may be necessary to allow the several states to meet the minimum requirements of federal law to hold federal elections.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 19 Prefiled for introduction.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4200 by Representative Morris

Requiring initiatives with negative fiscal impact to specify reductions.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide that any initiative that repeals, or restricts the collection of, any existing tax or any of the fees used to fund general government purposes, reduces the percentage rate or amount of such a tax or fee, or creates or extends an exemption to such a tax or fee shall include specific language that prescribes how these reductions are to be reflected in the state budgets. This language may be a specific direction to the legislature to reduce the funding for a specific function or agency of government, or this language may be an amendment to the applicable budget that will be in effect when the initiative is certified, if approved by the voters.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

Senate Bills

SB 5000 by Senators Roach, Finkbeiner, Johnson and Swecker

Eliminating authority for charges based on water runoff characteristics of property.

Amends RCW 36.89.080, 36.94.140, and 86.15.160 to eliminate the authority for charges based on water runoff characteristics of property.

Declares that rates and charges may not be fixed or altered based on the water runoff characteristics of the property served except with regard to a landfill as defined in RCW 70.95.030.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5001 by Senators Roach, Johnson and Swecker

Allowing initiative and referendum petitions on 8 1/2 by 11 paper.

Authorizes initiative and referendum petitions to be prepared on paper of eight and one half inches in width and eleven inches in length. Deletes the previous requirement for petitions to be prepared on paper of eleven inches in width and fourteen inches in length.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5002 by Senators Roach and Swecker

Regarding height restrictions on amateur radio antennas.

Provides that no city or town, code city, or county shall restrict an amateur radio antenna height to less than seventy feet unless the restriction is necessary to achieve a clearly defined health, safety, or aesthetic consideration.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5003 by Senators Roach, Finkbeiner and Swecker

Providing for citizen election of members of the state board of education and increasing the number of board members to two per

Provides for citizen election of members of the state board of education and increases the number of board members to two per congressional district.

Repeals RCW 28A.305.020, 28A.305.040, 28A.305.050, 28A.305.060, and 28A.305.070.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5004 by Senators Roach, West, Johnson, Swecker and Hale

Including serial murder in the list of aggravating circumstances for first degree murder.

Includes serial murder in the list of aggravating circumstances for first degree murder.

Provides that a person is a serial killer who murdered two or more victims with a cooling-off period between at least two of the murders.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5005 by Senators Roach and West

Making all first degree murders subject to life without possibility of parole or the death penalty.

Provides that all first degree murders are subject to sentences of life without possibility of parole or the death penalty.

Repeals RCW 10.95.020 and 10.95.040.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5006 by Senator McCaslin

Modifying the composition of electors for president and vice-president.

Declares that the electors shall be elected based on the number of votes cast for each of the three parties receiving the most votes in the state divided by the aggregate number of votes cast for the three parties receiving the most votes in the state. All three parties shall elect at least one elector.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5007 by Senator McCaslin

Modifying the composition of electors for president and vice-president.

Amends RCW 29.71.010 to provide that a number of electors which corresponds to the number of representatives in congress from this state shall be elected based on the party receiving the most votes within the various congressional districts. The remaining electors shall be elected based on the party receiving the most votes throughout the state.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5008 by Senator Stevens

Creating a consistent policy for the creation and maintenance of forest roads.

Requires that the department of natural resources shall, as manager for the trust, as part of its management program and in conjunction with the task force created in this act, undertake a study and report back to the legislature by December 1, 2003, concerning:

- (1) A review of the state primary and secondary roads in the Cascade foothills with recommendations on how to increase the number of roads available and how to maintain such roads for future public use;
- (2) Problems on all public lands caused by vandalism and recommendations on how to approach the problem;
- (3) Garbage and illegal dumping on public lands and recommendations on needed legislation;
- (4) A review of misuse of public resources and how the department and the legislature should address this problem;
- (5) Develop recommendations on road damage and on old road failure in order to upgrade the road system to benefit both the trust and the general public; and
- (6) An analysis of road standards, public use, and the methods to ensure that roads are built to standards that will provide a greater value to the trust and a more permanent road system for the public's use and benefit.

Provides that the department of natural resources shall, when making temporary primary and secondary road

closures, prepare a list of road closures at the beginning of each year and notify the affected counties, cities, and all user groups of proposed temporary road closures. The department of natural resources must hold a hearing in the general area to discuss the temporary closure with the public and with user groups.

Directs the commissioner of public lands to appoint a task force to work on increasing public access to public lands.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5009 by Senator Stevens

Modifying the definition of "water-dependent use."

Provides that for purposes of chapter 79.90 and 79.96 RCW the term "water-dependent use" includes moorage facilities that accommodate boats used as a place of residence by the owner.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5010 by Senator Stevens

Reducing fishing and hunting license fees for honorably discharged veterans of foreign wars.

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-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5011 by Senator Stevens

Reducing property values by amounts spent on certain fees.

Provides that in valuing any tract or parcel of real property, the assessed value shall be reduced by amounts expended on mitigation fees, impact fees, or system improvement charges during the assessment year.

Authorizes the department of revenue to adopt rules necessary to implement this provision.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5012 by Senator McCaslin

Exempting authorized emergency vehicles from weight limitations.

Provides that authorized emergency vehicles may exceed the gross weight limitations contained in RCW 46.44.041 and 46.44.042 without a special permit or additional fees as prescribed by chapter 46.44 RCW, but only while engaged in reasonably necessary operation.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 6 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5013 by Senator McCaslin

Clarifying the definition of "persistent offender."

Amends RCW 9.94A.030 relating to sentencing persistent sex offenders.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 6 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5014 by Senators Costa, Long and Fraser

Harmonizing the definitions of sex and kidnapping offenders under the criminal and registration statutes.

Amends RCW 9.94A.030 and 9A.44.130 to harmonize the definitions of sex and kidnapping offenders under the criminal and registration statutes.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 7 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5015 by Senator Morton

Modifying the definition of border area.

Amends RCW 66.08.195 to include any area designated by the state patrol as such due to its usage in border-related crime in the definition of "border area".

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 8 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5016 by Senator Roach

Revising motorcycle equipment laws.

Amends RCW 46.37.530 and 46.37.535 relating to motorcycle equipment requirements.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 20 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5017 by Senator Franklin

Regulating sale of larger quantities of ephedrine and derivatives.

Provides that RCW 69.43.010 and 69.43.020 shall apply to preparations in solid or liquid dosage form containing ephedrine, phenylpropanolamine, norpseudophedrine, or pseudoephedrine when the individual transaction involves more than three packages or nine grams of ephedrine, phenylpropanolamine, norpseudophedrine, or pseudoephedrine.

Declares that any person who: (1) Sells, transfers, or otherwise furnishes in a single transaction more than three packages of a product that he or she knows to contain ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, norpseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine; or (2) sells, transfers, or otherwise furnishes a product that he or she knows to contain more than nine grams of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, norpseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine is guilty of a class C felony under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 21 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5018 by Senator Costa

Authorizing the department of health to impose civil penalties.

Declares that the department is authorized to assess a civil fine or civil penalty in any case in which it finds the licensee failed to report an event that is required by statute or rule to be reported to the department. The civil fine or civil penalty shall not exceed one thousand dollars per incident unreported.

Authorizes the department to approve expenditure of the civil penalty by the licensee on improvements that would ensure future compliance in reporting, or reduce future incidents.

Declares that assessment of a civil fine or civil penalty is subject to the provisions of chapters 34.05 and 43.05 RCW and RCW 43.70.095.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 21 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5019 by Senator Jacobsen

Allowing the governor to limit outdoor burning.

Declares that, whenever the director of fire protection finds that conditions of extreme fire hazard exist and that state resources or the protection of life and property may be in danger, the director of fire protection may recommend to the governor that the governor forbid outdoor burning on public and private land throughout the state or within specific portions of the state.

Provides that, upon receiving such a recommendation from the director of fire protection, and if the governor finds that state resources or the protection of life and property are in danger, then the governor may issue an executive order forbidding outdoor burning throughout the state or within specific portions of the state.

Declares that it is unlawful for any person to conduct or cause to be conducted outdoor burning at any time and place that is forbidden by an executive order issued under this act.

Provides that an intentional violation of this act is a gross misdemeanor, and knowing violation of this act is a class 1 civil infraction under chapter 7.80 RCW.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5020 by Senator Jacobsen

Permitting the closure of rivers to protect salmon.

Declares that when, in the opinion of the fish and wildlife commission, any river or stream is subject to any abnormal streamflow condition, the commission may designate the river or stream as an area subject to closure, and the commission shall adopt rules for the protection thereof.

Provides that, in times and localities of abnormal streamflow conditions, the commission may issue an order suspending any or all hydraulic permits or privileges authorized by chapter 77.55 RCW and may prohibit absolutely the alteration of the natural flow or bed of any salt or fresh waters in these locations.

Provides criminal penalties for violations of the act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5021 by Senator Oke

Placing catch observers on commercial net fishing boats.

Requires that the director of fish and wildlife must place department employees or trained volunteers on certain commercial net fishing boats. The catch observers must be placed on boats that are authorized to commercially fish for salmon in areas where salmon stocks listed under the endangered species act are known to occur in mixed stock areas.

Declares that the intent of the catch observers is to document the degree of catch of threatened or endangered fish during each commercial net fishery, and to reduce the level of threatened or endangered salmon caught to an absolute minimum.

Requires that catch observers must also be utilized to estimate the immediate or delayed mortality rate of endangered or threatened salmon caught and released within each net fishery.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5022 by Senators Jacobsen and Oke

Modifying the salmon recovery funding board's reporting of financial affairs.

Amends RCW 42.17.2401 relating to the salmon recovery funding board's reporting of financial affairs.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5023 by Senators Jacobsen and Oke

Requiring a biennial summary report of all state parks and recreation operations.

Provides that, in addition to other duties the commission may from time to time impose, it is the duty of the director to, on or before December 1st of each even-numbered year, provide to the legislature a comprehensive

summary report of all state parks and recreation operations to reflect the previous fiscal period.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5024 by Senators Jacobsen and Oke

Declaring policies of the parks and recreation commission.

Requires that the state parks and recreation commission, using its own resources and through partnerships with private and public entities shall:

- (1) Protect and preserve natural, recreational, cultural, and historical resources of significance to the state;
- (2) Foster public enjoyment, understanding, appreciation, and safe use of these resources through education;
- (3) Host a wide range of public recreation experiences to renew the human spirit;
- (4) Welcome visitors from all cultural, ethnic, and social backgrounds, as well as seniors, youth, and the physically and mentally challenged;
- (5) Provide safe, attractive, high-quality facilities and programs to those who use the state's park system; and
- (6) Promote state and community tourism and economic vitality.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5025 by Senator Fairley

Providing special parking privileges for disabled veterans.

Amends RCW 46.16.381 to authorize special parking privileges for disabled veterans.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 22 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5026 by Senator Franklin

Creating the aggregate purchasing prescription drug discount program.

Provides that, no later than July 1, 2002, the health care authority shall implement a program to aggregate the purchase of prescription drugs from suppliers for prescription drug programs in this state, to be known as the "aggregate purchasing prescription drug discount program." The authority may contract with an outside manager to administer this program, which shall include the following components:

(1) Price discounts on prescription drugs negotiated by the health care authority or manager with prescription drug suppliers. After July 2, 2002, neither the aggregate purchasing prescription drug discount program nor any prescription drug program in this state shall purchase, or provide reimbursement for, prescription drugs from a supplier that has not reached a discount agreement with the aggregate purchasing prescription drug discount program.

- (2) A means to make the negotiated price discounts available to any person who is:
 - (a) A resident of the state of Washington;
 - (b) Ineligible for medicaid prescription benefits;
- (c) Ineligible for, or not receiving, or both, a prescription drug benefit under a medicare supplemental policy or any other third-party payer prescription benefit; and
 - (d)(i) At least fifty-five years old; or
- (ii) Between the ages of nineteen and fifty-four who is otherwise eligible for benefits under Title II of the social security act (federal old-age, survivors, and disability insurance benefits).

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5027 by Senator Franklin

Providing for a study of the feasibility of aggregating the purchase and distribution of prescription drugs for certain programs.

Provides that the Washington state health care authority, in consultation with the department of social and health services, shall contract with a qualified independent entity to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of aggregating the purchase and distribution of prescription drugs for all of the following:

- (1) Participants in the medicaid program;
- (2) Enrollees in the medicare program;
- (3) Members and others who purchase health care services through the health benefits program of the public employees' benefits board;
- (4) Any other individuals on whose behalf the state, county, or local government entity provides funds or subsidizes, in whole or in part, the purchase of prescription drugs or prescription drug benefits;
- (5) Washington residents fifty-five years of age or older who have limited or no insurance coverage for prescription drugs; and
- (6) Washington residents less than fifty-five years of age who have limited or no insurance coverage for prescription drugs.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5028 by Senator Franklin

Establishing the legal presumption of reasonable value from the certification of health care records.

Declares that treatment charges on a health care provider's billing statement certified under this act for treatment provided to a patient are presumably the reasonable value of necessary health care treatment. A certified health care provider billing statement is admissible to establish the reasonable and necessary charges. The presumption that the charges are reasonable and necessary may be rebutted upon a showing of sufficient proof.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 28 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5029 by Senator Franklin

Regarding nonparental visitation rights.

Affirms that parents have a paramount right to raise their minor children.

Acknowledges that grandparents may have an inherently special relationship with their grandchildren, but that relationship remains subordinate to that of the parent and child.

Declares that the legislature, in response to *In re Custody of Smith*, 137 Wn.2d 969 (1998), intends to establish internally consistent and rigorous standards that must be met for a nonparent to obtain visitation with a minor child.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Dec 29 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5030 by Senator Thibaudeau

Creating the Washington pharmacy access program.

Creates the Washington pharmacy access program within the Washington state health care authority. The administrative head and appointing authority of the program is the administrator of the Washington state health care authority. The program shall include the following components:

- (1) A self-funded prescription drug insurance plan, designed and implemented pursuant to this act;
- (2) Prescription drug information and education grants awarded to local organizations pursuant to this act; and
- (3) Assistance to eligible individuals in obtaining free or low cost prescription drugs from existing public and private sources pursuant to this act.

Provides that the plan shall pay the costs of all generic and preferred prescription drugs and pharmacy services for an enrollee once that enrollee's out-of-pocket expenditures in a calendar year on prescription drugs and pharmacy services exceeds the lesser of: (1) Ten percent of the enrollee's gross annual household income; or (2) two thousand dollars. For purposes of this provision, out-of-pocket expenditures do not include monthly premiums, for which an enrollee remains responsible.

Directs the Washington state health care authority, and any entity with which it contracts, to inform enrollees in writing of the plan's scope, coverage, cost-sharing requirements, and any limitations on access to prescription drugs. The Washington state health care authority, and any entity with which it contracts, shall provide for a clear and timely process by which enrollees can appeal a decision by the health care authority or any contracted entity to deny or limit coverage or benefits under this act.

Provides that the act shall be null and void if appropriations are not approved.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 2 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5031 by Senator Franklin

Creating a transportation program for recipients of temporary assistance for needy families.

Declares an intent to establish a wheels to work program, as a public-private partnership, to provide qualified families on temporary assistance for needy families with the ability to own a vehicle.

Declares an intent to study the costs and benefits of the wheels to work program.

Provides that the program will accept donated vehicles and provide them to qualified adults receiving temporary assistance for needy families. For the first year of the program, the department shall contract with a private nonprofit entity to operate the program in three locations, one in Pierce county, one in Yakima county, and one in Spokane county. The program shall be expanded statewide one year after implementation.

Directs the department of social and health services to contract with the Washington state institute for public policy to perform a study of the wheels for work program, including at the minimum a cost-benefit analysis, and an evaluation of the extent to which access to a personal vehicle enabled the family on assistance to progress toward economic independence.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5032 by Senators Rasmussen, Swecker and T. Sheldon

Modifying the taxation of natural or manufactured gas.

Declares that the tax imposed under RCW 82.08.020 shall not apply to sales of natural or manufactured gas made from a truck to a farm for growing agricultural crops, poultry, or livestock.

Declares that the tax imposed under RCW 82.12.020 shall not apply to sales of natural or manufactured gas made from a truck to a farm for growing agricultural crops, poultry, or livestock.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5033 by Senator Fairley

Revising employee personnel file inspection provisions.

Provides that every employer shall, at least annually, upon the request of an employee, permit that employee or that employee's representative to inspect and copy without charges, except a reasonable copying charge, any or all of his or her own personnel file(s). These file(s) shall be retained by the employer for a minimum of three years after the employee ceases work for that employer.

Provides that the director shall assess any employer found to be in violation of this act, or rules or orders adopted or issued pursuant to this act, a civil penalty of not less than five thousand dollars a day for each violation.

Declares that in addition to any other penalty provided by law, an employee whose request to inspect and copy personnel files has been denied in violation of this act may bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover damages for the violation in the amount of five thousand dollars. The court shall award reasonable attorney fees to a prevailing plaintiff.

Repeals RCW 49.12.240.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5034 by Senator Parlette

Adjusting apportionment of presidential electors.

Revises RCW 29.71.020 and 29.71.040 regarding the selection and voting requirements for presidential electors.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5035 by Senators Prentice, Winsley, Deccio and Fairley; by request of Department of Financial Institutions

Creating the financial services regulation fund. Establishes the financial services regulation fund. Repeals RCW 43.320.120 and 43.320.130.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5036 by Senators Franklin and Winsley

Providing a temporary tax exemption for clothing and footwear.

Declares that, for the period August 19, 2001, through August 25, 2001, the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 does not apply to sales of clothing and footwear for human use if the consideration given or contracted to be given for the clothing or footwear is less than seventy-five dollars per item, including any charge for alteration, but exclusive of sales and use taxes and delivery charges.

Declares that, for the period August 19, 2001, through August 25, 2001, the provisions of chapter 82.12 RCW do not apply with respect to the use of clothing and footwear for human use if the consideration given or contracted to be given for the clothing or footwear is less than seventy-five dollars per item, including any charge for alteration, but exclusive of sales and use taxes and delivery charges.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5037 by Senators Kline, Patterson and McCaslin

Requiring absentee ballots to reach the auditor by the day after election day.

Provides that an absentee ballot may be counted only if the return identification envelope was signed by the date of the primary or election for which it was issued and is in the office of the county auditor by 5:00 p.m. on the day after the primary or election for which it was issued. However, an absentee ballot from an out-of-state, overseas, or service voter may be counted if it was mailed no later than the day of the primary or election for which it was issued.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 5 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5038 by Senators McCaslin and Kline

Incorporating amendments into the reorganized chapter 9.94A RCW.

Declares an intent to incorporate into the reorganization of chapter 9.94A RCW adopted by chapter 28, Laws of 2000, amendments adopted to RCW 9.94A.120 during the 2000 legislative session that did not take cognizance of the reorganization. In addition, it is the intent to correct any additional incorrect cross-references and to simplify the codification of provisions within chapter 9.94A RCW.

Does not intend to make, and no provision of this act may be construed as making, a substantive change in the sentencing reform act.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 5 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5039 by Senators Thibaudeau and Deccio

Allowing endorsed dental hygienists to provide sealants to low-income school children.

Declares an intent to address the problem of poor access to oral health care by providing for school-based sealant programs through the endorsement of dental hygienists.

Directs the department of health to report to the legislature by December 1, 2005, on the impact of granting school sealant endorsements to dental hygienists to assess for and apply sealants in public and private school-based, school-linked sealant programs.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 5 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5040 by Senators Honeyford, Hale and Hochstatter

Providing additional good cause reasons to extend the time of certain water project construction work.

Provides additional good cause reasons to extend the time of certain water project construction work.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 5 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5041 by Senators Honeyford, Hale and Hochstatter

Allowing a water conservancy board to approve or deny certain water transfers.

Authorizes a water conservancy board to approve or deny certain water transfers.

-- 2001 REGULAR SESSION --

Jan 5 Prefiled for introduction.

SB 5042 by Senators Honeyford, Hale and Hochstatter

Limiting the ability to revoke or amend a certificate of ground water right.

Declares that a certificate issued by the department under the provisions of chapter 90.03 RCW may not be revoked or amended without specific legislative or judicial direction, provided that the water right represented by the certificate has not been relinquished under the provisions of chapter 90.14 RCW.

Declares that a certificate issued by the department under the provisions of chapter 90.44 RCW may not be revoked or amended without specific legislative or judicial direction, provided that the water right represented by the certificate has not been relinquished under the provisions of chapter 90.14 RCW.

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SB 5043 by Senator McCaslin

Repealing mandatory replacement of license plates. Repeals RCW 46.16.233.

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SB 5044 by Senator McCaslin

Clarifying parental involvement in AIDS education.

Provides that each school district shall, at least one month before teaching AIDS prevention education in any classroom, conduct at least one presentation during weekend and evening hours for the parents and guardians of students concerning the curricula and materials that will be used for such education. The parents and guardians shall be notified by the school district of the presentation and that the curricula and materials are available for inspection. The parents or guardians may attend the presentation but are not required to attend.

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SB 5045 by Senator McCaslin

Providing for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

Provides that, prior to January 1, 2003, the secretary of state, in cooperation with the chief justice, shall assign by lot each supreme court judicial position to be filled in November 2004 to a judicial district, and in a similar manner shall also assign by lot each judicial position to be filled in November 2006 and in November 2008 to a supreme court judicial district, so that three justices from three different supreme court judicial districts are elected at each biennial general election.

Declares that this act shall take effect January 1, 2004, if the proposed amendment to Article IV, section 3 of the state Constitution providing for the election of supreme court justices from judicial districts is validly submitted to and is approved and ratified by the voters at the next general election.

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SB 5046 by Senator McCaslin

Providing for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

Provides that, prior to January 1, 2003, the secretary of state, in cooperation with the chief justice, shall assign by lot each supreme court judicial position to be filled in November 2004 to a judicial district, and in a similar manner shall also assign by lot each judicial position to be filled in November 2006 and in November 2008 to a supreme court judicial district, so that one justice from each supreme court judicial district is elected at each biennial general election.

Declares that this act shall take effect January 1, 2004 if the proposed amendment to Article IV, section 3 of the state Constitution providing for the election of supreme court justices from judicial districts (SJR 8201) is validly submitted to and is approved and ratified by the votes at the next general election.

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Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8000 by Senators Jacobsen and Oke

Requesting the appointment of a federal multiagency contact person for Columbia River salmon and trout recovery.

Requests that the President appoint a person to oversee the multifederal agency salmon and trout recovery effort in the Columbia River region, and that this person serve as a single point of contact for citizens and state, tribal, and local governments.

Requests that Congress provide sufficient funding to enable the creation and operation of a federal multiagency contact person for Columbia River salmon and trout recovery, and that the contact person be empowered to report to Congress and the President on the salmon recovery funding, cooperation, and regulatory needs of the Columbia River watershed.

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SJM 8001 by Senator Franklin

Exploring the option of managing prescription drug prices through cooperative strategies with other Northwest states.

Requests that in seeking to ensure reasonable prescription medication prices for the citizens of Washington, the state of Washington, through its duly elected and appointed officials, should explore the possibility of acting in concert with other Northwest states to pursue this goal.

Resolves that the Northwest states should consider cooperative strategies to address the challenge of the high cost of prescription medications, including:

- (1) Model legislation to ensure citizens access to prescription medications at reasonable and affordable prices:
- (2) Joint pricing and purchasing agreements for prescription medications;
- (3) Programs to provide and facilitate access of qualified citizens to supplies of free and discounted prescription medications offered by pharmaceutical manufacturers; and
- (4) Initiatives to encourage and ensure medications are prescribed in the most effective manner.

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Jan 2 Prefiled for introduction.

SJM 8002 by Senator McCaslin

Petitioning Congress to consent to the formation of a new state.

Requests that the Congress of the United States consent to the formation of a new state whose western boundary is the crest of the Cascade Mountains and whose eastern, northern, and southern boundaries are the existing state borders, to include the Wenatchee and Yakima valleys.

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Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8200 by Senator Stevens

Reducing the assessed value of real estate by amounts spent on certain fees.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide that the legislature, through appropriate legislation, may reduce the value of real estate subject to taxation by amounts expended on mitigation fees, impact fees, or system improvement charges paid by the owner of the real estate.

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Dec 4 Prefiled for introduction.

SJR 8201 by Senator McCaslin

Amending the Constitution to provide for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

Provides that each justice of the supreme court must be a resident of the supreme court judicial district for which he or she is elected or appointed for not less than one year at the time of election or appointment.

Provides that there shall be three supreme court judicial districts in the state. Three justices shall be elected from supreme court judicial district 1, three justices shall be elected from supreme court judicial district 2, and three justices shall be elected from supreme court judicial district 3

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SJR 8202 by Senator McCaslin

Amending the Constitution to provide for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide for election of supreme court justices from judicial districts.

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Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SCR 8400 by Senators Snyder and West

Notifying the Governor that the Legislature is organized. Notifies the Governor that the Legislature is organized.

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